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*SUB C.1* ~~39. A combination according to claim 33, and comprising a removable color filter positioned over said bulb shield to filter light emitted by said bulb.~~

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Enclo* ~~40. A combination according to claim 33, and comprising a power supply cord adapted for being connected to a power source to supply electrical power to said work light.~~

~~41. A combination according to claim 40, and comprising an emissions insulating sheath over said power supply cord to further reduce emissions generated by said work light.~~

~~42. A combination according to claim 33, and comprising a light reflector located adjacent said bulb tube for enhancing illumination of said bulb.~~

~~43. A combination according to claim 33, and comprising an elongated pull strip releasably attached to said bulb for removing said bulb from said work light for replacement.--~~

#### REMARKS

Previously allowed claims 1-9 and 18-21 in the case are cancelled herein in favor of new claims 22-43. The new claims recite a reduced emissions work light including a bulb, an electromagnetic interference emissions containment housing located adjacent to the bulb, an electronic ballast located within the emissions containment housing and

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operatively connected to the bulb, and an electromagnetic interference emissions filter operatively connected to the electronic ballast. The emissions filter and emissions containment housing cooperate to reduce electromagnetic interference emissions generated by the work light.

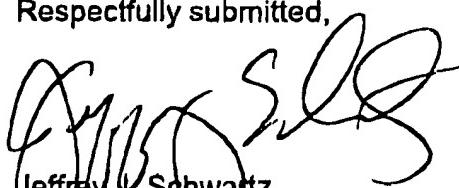
The prior art submitted with the present filing does not disclose, teach, or suggest a reduced emissions work light which incorporates an *electronic ballast* within an emissions containment housing. The prior art light utilizes a magnetic ballast which produces a relatively loud noise during use. Magnetic ballast also generally require between 2-5 seconds of activation time, thus producing an annoying flicker prior to achieving full brightness. Furthermore, magnetic ballasts typically utilize a starter in conjunction with the ballast to induce a high voltage spike that will excite the gas inside the fluorescent bulb. Voltage variations and droppage will often cause the light to go out, thus requiring the starter and ballast to reactivate the fluorescent bulb. This can take anywhere from 2-8 seconds, causing a dangerous condition if there is only one light used for illumination.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(ii), a marked-up copy of the amendments made herein is included with this Amendment and labeled as "Exhibit A".

For all of the reasons discussed above, Applicant submits that all of the claims in the case are now in condition for allowance. Such action is therefore requested at an early date. If the examiner believes that issues remain for discussion, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number or e-mail address listed below.

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EXHIBIT A

**AMENDED CLAIMS - MARKED-UP COPY**  
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The claims have been amended, as follows:

In the Claims:

Claims 1-9 and 18-21 have been cancelled and claims 22-43 have been added.